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Remarks

After the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 3 – 12, and 14 – 23 are pending, with claims 1 and 12 being the independent claims. Claims 2 and 13 have been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

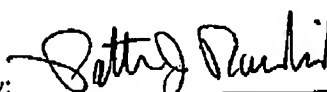
Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 2, 7, 9, 10, 13, 14, and 15. The subject matter from allowable claim 2 has been incorporated into amended claim 1. Similarly, the subject matter from allowable claim 13 has been incorporated into amended claim 12. Accordingly, Applicant submits that all pending claims are presently allowable and a notice of allowance is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicant submits that all pending claims are presently allowable and a notice of allowance is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding the above Amendments and Remarks, the Examiner is respectfully urged to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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